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Lady Amherst off London
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Lady Amherst

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Remarks on board of the Ship Lady Amherst of London
Thursday Feb 24th

Begins with strong breezes and clear from the S.E.
heading S.W. carpenter employed hardmen up the masts
in the lands of 1 of the spare boats and painting
her for to put out on the bow at 6 finished boil-
ing and washed off the decks middle part light
winds and cloudy w. day light made all sail keep-
ing a good look out for whales, steering W.S.W. finished
beaking up the bow boat. she being unfit to re-
pair again some hands repairing a fluke rope
saw black fish.

Lat 35° 57' S
Long 83° 8' W

Friday Feb 25th

P.M. increasing breezes & cloudy. at sun down took
in sail to the main top sail reef and staysails
Midnight strong breezes & gloomy w. day light
made sail according to the weather and commenced
coopering and stowing down oil in the between decks
10 strong increasing breezes took in the fore top sail

Lat 35° 23' Long 82° 49'

Saturday Feb 26th

P.M. fresh gales from the S.W. with a heavy sea
finished stowing down sun^{out} took in the foresail
& mizen top sail ship heading S.E. through the
night D.W. A.M. strong breezes and a heavy S.W.
swell. day light made sail to the W.S.W. latter
part coopers employed repairing 2. 300 gall casks
turned the old boat of all bottoms up on the beams
and painted her.

Lat 35° 17' S
Long 83° 00' W.

Sunday Feb 27th

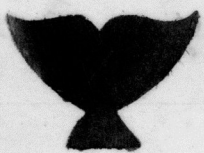
Begins with fresh breezes and cloudy. at 4
wore ship to the S.E. at 6 took in sail.
Midnight more moderate and cloudy. day
light strong breezes made all necessary sail to
the S.E. soon more moderate let out the reef
nothing seen

Lat 35° 20' S.
Long 80° 55' W.
a family on board
& great head wind
with the barometer
low

of London cruising on the off shore ground. (Chili)
monday continued.

at 9 A.M. Saw Sperm Whales on
the lee beam. kept off for them and
found them going to leeward. at 10 lowered 4 boats.
soon after the waistboat struck and before another
boat could get near he was adrift. The whales
going to leeward up sail again after them at 2 past
11 another boat got fast and killed the whale
2 boats followed the whales. the 3rd followed them
after the whale spouted blood.

Lat. 35° 55' N.



Tuesday Feb 22nd

at 1 P.M. took the whale along side
and put on two fluke ropes and made
all sail after the whales & boats. at 3 returned
on board as they could not get fast again took
up the boats and took in sail. at 2 past 3 saw
more whales on the lee quarter made sail again
and kept off for them at 4 lowered all 4 boats
boat got near enough to dart but did not get
fast. The whales took to windward returned
on board etc. and began to cut. at dark had
the head off jaw in and 2 pieces of blubber made
all well fast for the night. wind North ship head
288. double reefed the main top sail midnight rainy
day light began to cut again at 1 finished at
2 past 8 had the head cleared and decks washed
in cutting a shroud went astern lowered the bow
boat to pick it up. but in taking her up she
broke in two. took in the remains. began to
bail a rugged sea on.

Lat 36° 2' S

Long 81° 24' W.

Wednesday Feb 23

P.M. strong wind & squally 1 sail in sight
steering SE. 4 took in the Mizⁿ top sail and were
ship to the west - A.M. strong gales. put out the
fires and furled the foresail at 8 more moderate
and dry let the fires again. set the foresail. soon
a heavy sea on.

Lat 36° 6' Long 82° 22' W.

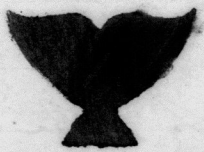
Cruising on the off shore ground. Coast of Chili for Whales

Monday Feb 28th

Throughout the day strong winds from the SSE and cloudy w- with passing squalls 4 PM tacked to the SW. 6 took in sail as usual and pumped ship. at 2 past 5 AM saw Sperm Whales made all necessary sail and stood for them. at 7 lowered the boats and chased them but soon lost sight of them out of the boats returned and made sail on the ship at 11 came up with them and lowered again struck 1 in so doing got upset got the line into another boat and killed the whale the bow & L^d Quarter boat slightly stove. a very rough sea on

Lat 35 - 20 S.

Long 82 - 24 W.



Tuesday March 1st

1 PM got the capsize boat alongside and took her up at 2 got the whale to the ship and made fast. at 4 began to cut but found the weather too bad taking every thing to pieces. made all fast for the night reefed the main top sail and set the storm sails. middle part strong winds day light wore ship and began to cut. 6 AM had the head off. at 2 past 8 had all in at 11 finished clearing the head and washed decks.

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Lat 35.21 Long 82.36

Wednesday March 2nd

PM strong breezes and squally employed boiling carpenter repairing L^d Quarter boat. ship heading to the SSW. midnight hard squalls. at day light saw a lone sperm whale on the W-beam. and going fast to windward made sail and tacked after him at 2 past 7 lost sight of him to windward. at 10 reefed the top sails again it blowing strong. still boiling and keeping a good look out.

Lat 35.30 S
Long 82.39 W.

Remarks on board of the Ship Lady Amherst.

Thursday March 3rd 1842.

Begins with strong breezes took in the bow boat to repair. at 4 finished boiling. sun down took in sail. midnight more moderate day light squally made sail accordingly. at 7 put out the old boat on the bow. carpenter repairing the other. Latter part employed repairing the fluke ropes. 8 o'clock out reefs and set top gallant sails
Lat 35° 25' S

Long 82° 33' W

Friday March 4th

Begins with light winds and a heavy swell. employed shifting the topsail lift end for end. at 4. Saw 3 hump whales. lowered 4 boats but could not succeed in getting near the whales. at sun down returned took up the boats and took in sail heading SW. Midnight light airs. day light made all sail and cleared out the after hatch way to stow down oil. at 10 o'clock calm. employed coopers and starting oil
Lat 34° 52' S

Saturday March 5th

Throughout calms and light airs finished put down the oil.
Lat 34° 58' S

Sunday March 6th

Throughout light winds from the Southward kept a good look out for whales
Lat 35° 35' Long 83° 40'

Monday March 7th

This day light airs & calms mended the old fore top mast stay sail and bent another in repair shifted the main top gallant sail got up the old fore top sail to finish repairing it
Lat 35° 21' S

Long 83° 36' W

Tuesday March 8th

Throughout light airs & calms a good look out kept aloft for whales. finished the topsails
Lat 35° 23' Long 83° 5' W.

of London cruising on the off shore ground. Coast of Chili
Wednesday March 9th

At 1 PM a light breeze came from the North &
steered to the East & made all sail saw black
fish & grampuses. sun down took in sail and head
to the West & Midnight a fresh breeze & cloudy.
veering to the WSW. day light made sail to the
East & Latter part employed repairing sails

Lat^o 36° 22' S

Long^o 82° 14' W.

Thursday March 10th

Throughout fresh breezes and passing squalls
employed repairing sails and looking out

Lat^o 35° 4' S. Long 81° 50' W.

Friday March 11th

Throughout fresh breezes and cloudy. ship was
under all necessary cruising sail 1 ship in sight
this day the crew complained only of their allow-
ance of meat being so small that they only have
enough for 1 meal a day.

Lat^o 34° 57' S.

Long^o 82° 38' W.

Saturday March 12th

Throughout moderate winds from the SE & clear
Ship under all necessary cruising sail. at 2 past
11 AM Saw sperm whales. at 8 o'clock lowered all
boats and rowed towards them

Lat^o 34° 59' S.

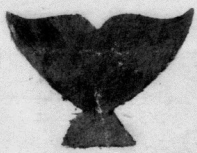
Sunday March 13th

PM light winds at 2 past 1
Struck and killed 1 whale at

3 got him to the ship and began to cut in
at 6 had ale in made the head well fast
and took in sail for the night heading SSW.
Midnight light winds veered ship to the East
day light began to clear away the head & set
on the works. Latter part took in the Starb^d
weather boat and put out 1 of the spare ones.
made more sail keeping a good look out.

Lat^o 34° 55' S.

Long^o 82° 11' W.



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Monday March 14th

Throughout a moderate breeze from the SSW. & gloomy.
Ship under all requisite sail employed boiling and
looking for more room finished boiling.

Lat 34° 49' S

Tuesday March 15th

This day light winds and clear pleasant weather
all sail set during the day. Carpenter employed repairing & strengthening the 1st
Quarter boat.

Lat 34° 50' S

Long 82° 25' W.

Wednesday March 16th

PM light winds from the SSW. 1 sail in sight
to the west at 5 wore ship to the S. sun down
took in sail. saw black fish. day light wore
ship to the WSW. wind SW. and made sail cleared
out the 1st side of the between decks to stow down
at 2 past 10 saw the Ship to windward manœuvring
amongst whales kept a good look out but could
not see any. saw their boats down. and 2 coming
to leeward under sail at noon the captain came
on board the Ship proved to be the Corinthian of
New Bedford. out 31 months 1900 barrels of oil. and had
seen a lone whale this morning but lost the run of him

Lat 34° 44' S

Thursday March 17th

Begins with a moderate breeze ship standing to the
west at 5 tacked. finished putting down the oil.
and took in sail. AM light breezes and clear
weather wore ship to the WSW and made sail.
Soon Squally.

Lat 34° 43' S

Friday March 18th

Throughout light winds and variable with rain
at times. a good look out kept painted the Quar-
ter boat.

Lat 34° 19' Long 83° 21' W

Saturday March 19th

This day light winds and cloudy from the S to
SW. all necessary cruising sail set keeping a look
out.

Lat 34° 30' S Long 83° 13'

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